



You have too good an opinion of yourself child, said she, I assure you I dare not expect such a thing; I will go with you if you desire it, but it shocks me that I am forced to tell you, I can say very little in your favour. Master Smith was not however discouraged by his mamma's reproof; but ran out to give orders for the chariot to be in readiness the next morning.

ing. He dressed himself at the time in his best cloaths, and set out with his mamma for Mr. Allworthy's. As they went along, they saw several little boys walking to the same place on the same occasion. Master Smith laughed at, and despised them, for their expectations of success; but his mamma bid him remember, that the prizes were not to be given to the richest or finest child, but to him who should be found to be the *best*.

When they alighted at Mr. Allworthy's, they saw several little masters, and poor children, assembled. Mr. Allworthy soon entered the room, in which was an handsome book-case, containing near an hundred books proper for the instruction and entertainment of children. Master Smith looked at them with an air of confidence, as if he was quite secure of a prefer-